FW: Opposing NEXT at Port Westward

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From: Allison Cloo <abrayuo@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 3:39 PM

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Dear planners,

I heard about the plans to industrialize the area of Port Westward for a renewable diesel refinery from a fellow supporter of local farms and wetland areas. I hope you will recognize that this development would be irreversible and devastating to the local ecology and community.

Renewable fuels are important, no doubt, but we cannot get farmland or pristine wetlands back after they are developed. I have heard stories from local people who don't want to see this happen, and I will be sharing it with other farmers, ranchers, and foresters from all over the state who understand the importance of preserving these unique areas rather than parceling them out to high bidders from outside of the area.

Thank you, Allison Cloo